



DECLARATION

I, Natsuo TANAKA, of HIRAKI & ASSOCIATES, do solemnly and sincerely declare as follows:

1. That I am well acquainted with the English and Japanese languages and am competent to translate from Japanese into English.
2. That I have executed, with the best of my ability, a true and correct translation into English of Japanese Patent Application No. 11/145342 filed on May 25, 1999, a copy of which I attach herewith.

This 3rd day of March, 2004

N. Tanaka

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